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Subpart A—General

§ 1213.1-1 Introduction.

(a) Section 122(a), part C, of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (the Act), Pub. L. 93-113, 87 Stat. 401, authorizes the Director of ACTION to conduct and to make contracts for special volunteer programs to encourage wider volunteer participation on a full-time basis to strengthen and supplement efforts to meet a broad range of human, social, and environmental needs, particularly those related to poverty. The ACTION Cooperative Volunteer Program (ACV) is one of these special volunteer programs. It provides full-time volunteer service opportunities for individuals in assignments with nonprofit and public agency sponsors involving a broad range of human, social, and environmental needs, particularly those related to poverty. Organizations wishing to become sponsors enter into an agreement with ACTION to share expenses associated with ACV volunteer assignments. The sponsor's share consists of reimbursing ACTION for the direct costs of volunteer support, i.e. allowances, stipend and other direct benefits.

(b) Section 122(b) requires that the assignment of ACV volunteers be on such terms and conditions as the Director shall determine.

(c) Section 122(c) provides that the Director may provide to persons serving as full-time volunteers in a program of at least one year's duration such allowances and stipends as he determines are necessary. The kinds and amount of such allowances and stipends may not exceed those authorized to be provided to VISTA volunteers (part A, title I, Pub. L. 93-113).